

"PATENT"

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>In re Application of:</i>	§	<i>Before the Examiner:</i>
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Duncan et al.	§	Unassigned
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<i>Serial No.:</i> 10/509,508	§	<i>Group Art Unit No.:</i> 1764
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	§	<i>Attorney Docket No.:</i> 2002B042A
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<i>Filed:</i> September 28, 2004	§	<i>Customer No.:</i> 23455
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<i>For:</i> Preparation of Alkylaromatic	§	
Hydrocarbons and Alkylaryl	§	Baytown, Texas
Sulfonates	§	
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Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

Please enter the following amendments prior to a first Office Action on the merits.

Applicant believes that the Preliminary Amendment places the application, particularly the claims, in compliance with the new rules set out in the Federal Register on August 21, 2007 (Federal Register/ Vol. 72, No. 161/ page 46716 et seq., Tuesday, August 21, 2007), particularly 37 C.F.R. § 1.75.